Best Available Copy Mar 4 2008 02:47pm P001 NIXON VANDERHYE PC Fax 703+816+4100 **RESPONSE UNDER RULE 116 EXPEDITED HANDLING PROCEDURES** In re Patent Application of Atty SCS-550-540 **FACSIMILE CERTIFICATE** I hereby certify that this Amendment Dkt. C# M# is being transmitted by facsimile to **BUTCHER** et al the Patent and Trademark Office on TC/A,U, 2183 March 4, 2008, specifically to 571-Serial No. 10/807,499 Examiner: A. Li 273-8309 March 24, 2004 Filed: Date: March 4, 2008 RECEIVED Title: COMPARE AND BRANCH MECHANISM CENTRAL FAX CENTER Signature MAR 0 4 2008 Stanley C. Spooner Mail Stop AF ; Reg. No. 27,393 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 No. of pages transmitted (including Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 this cover sheet): 28 pages Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 48 minus highest number previously paid for (at least 20) = x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$ Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for (at least 3) =x \$210.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$ If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add \$370.00 (1203)/\$185.00 (2203) \$ Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251) Two Month Extensions \$460.00 (1252)/\$230.00 (2252) Three Month Extensions \$1050.00 (1253/\$525.00 (2253) Four Month Extensions \$1640.00 (1254/\$820.00 (2254) Five Month Extensions \$2,230.00 (1255/\$1,115.00 (2255) \$ 460.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/ \$65.00 (2814) Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) 0.00 Other: 0.00 **TOTAL FEE \$** 460.00 CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM ATTACHED. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above-noted fee(s), any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. Arlington, Virginia 22203-1808 By Atty: Stanley C. Spooner, Reg. No. 27, 393 Telephone: (703) 816-4000

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Rejection mailed October 5, 2007 (Paper No. 20070930), the date of response to which is March 5, 2008, in view of the attached two-month extension of time petition and petition fee.